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Abstract of the Disclosure (Revised)

A mediation method and a mediation system divided into independent node

components that process event records independently of the other components of the system.

In addition, the system is provided with at least one node manager component that configures

the node components and starts them up, when required. Further, the node manager

component monitors the functioning of the node components and also stops the node

components, if required. Each of the independent node components operates according to its

own settings and is thus self-contained and capable of continuing operation even though

some of the other components are temporarily inoperative. The system also includes a

system database that manages configuration information and stores audit trail data.